

## New Methods for the Chemical Expansion of Hematopoietic Stem and Progenitor Cells

## **Grant Award Details**

New Methods for the Chemical Expansion of Hematopoietic Stem and Progenitor Cells

Grant Type: Inception - Discovery Stage Research Projects

Grant Number: DISC1-08737

Project Objective: To study the mechanism by which eupalinilide E expands hematopoietic stem cells, and to

discover new methods for the chemical expansion of hematopoietic stem and progenitor cells.

Investigator:

Name: Dionicio Siegel

Institution: University of California, San Diego

Type: PI

Disease Focus: Blood Disorders

Human Stem Cell Use: Adult Stem Cell

Award Value: \$232,200

Status: Active

## **Grant Application Details**

Application Title: New Methods for the Chemical Expansion of Hematopoietic Stem and Progenitor Cells

#### **Public Abstract:**

#### **Research Objective**

We will develop a new agent that can increase the production of hematopoietic stem and progenitor cells and determine how the compound functions

### **Impact**

We aim to develop a method to achieve the highest fold expansion of hematopoietic stem cells from a single unit of cord blood achieved to date increasing the supply of these clinically relevant cells

#### **Major Proposed Activities**

- We will identify the biological target(s) of our novel compound that promotes expansion and inhibit differentiation
- We will develop conditions using existing agents for expansion in combination with our new compound to maximize the expansion of hematopoietic stem and progenitor cells from cord blood

# Statement of Benefit to California:

We aim to develop a cost effective, cryopreserved source of hematopoietic stem cells by providing an expansive source of produced through the expansion of cord blood using well defined agents. This would provide a widely available, economically adjusted product for widespread use in California and beyond.

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